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The Jack Fire is now 100% contained. Lava Beds has returned to full visitor services with evening programs available at the Indian Well Campground.

Fire personnel are completing final patrols of the perimeter of the Jack Fire which was ignited by lightning and detected around 9:00 PM on August 17th. The fire has now been mapped on the ground and is estimated to have burned approximately 5,800 acres on Lava Beds and 500 acres on the Lower Klamath National Wildlife Refuge.

The Monument's backcountry, the Indian Well Campground and all roads are now open to public use. The Visitor Center and Cave Loop is open during regular operating hours. Localized closures on the Lyons Trail and Captain Jack's Stronghold remain in effect.

Lava Beds is now moving into completing a Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER) plan for dealing with the effects of the Jack Fire. Resource specialists from Yosemite National Park, Whiskeytown National Recreation Area and the Pacific West Regional office of the National Park Service have arrived at Lava Beds to develop this plan. The plan will assist Lava Beds in rehabilitating resources impacted from the Jack Fire.

For information on visitor services, call the Visitor Center at 530-667-8113 between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Pacific Time for additional updates. For questions directly associated with the Jack Fire, call Acting Superintendent David Larson at 530-233-0647.

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